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UPDATE ON THE ARREST OF 16 INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED IN DRUG ACTIVITY.

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Posey County Prosecutor Thomas Clowers updated the New Harmony Gazette with the following email on Wednesday, June 23, regarding the 16 individuals arrested in May on drug related charges:

“ As we discussed...my office has reviewed the individuals arrested in the latest drug raid (Operation Lockdown) as it relates to who currently remains in custody and who has posted bond. As of today (June 23rd), eleven (11) defendants remain held in the Posey County Jail on bond. Two (2) defendants have posted bond and have been released (neither were charged with dealing). Two (2) defendants (Jeffrey Bates and Stephanie Seabeck) remain at large with active arrest warrants. The 16th individual involved in this drug raid is currently in federal custody. Thanks, Thomas Clowers”

The New Harmony Gazette asked Prosecutor Clowers for this update because it seems important that the disposition of individuals involved in this type of crime need to be kept before the public eye, not just the eyes of the court and the police. There are two or three sweeps every year in Posey County, resulting in anywhere from 10 to 30 arrests each time, usually.

The constant arrest and release system is causing great social disruption and lots of money for their continued revolving adjudication. Many of those arrested have been arrested from 10 to 20 times before, it's the Public's business to know the results of all these arrests.

The New Harmony Gazette appreciates the continued cooperation of Posey County Prosecutor Thomas Clowers and Posey County Sheriff Tom Latham in our follow up questions related to these cases.